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Docket No.: 392.1680

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Atsushi WATANABE et al.

Serial No. 09/546,214

Group Art Unit: 2613

Confirmation No. 3614

Filed: April 10, 2000

Examiner: George A. Bugg

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 18, 2003, having an October 18, 2003 due date, reconsideration is respectfully requested based on the following amendments and remarks.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time until November 18, 2003 and the appropriate fee of \$110 is included herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 12 of this Response.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 14 of this Response and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

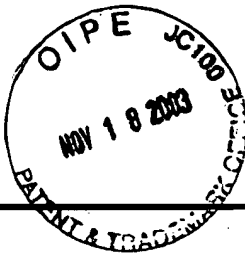
Remarks begin on page 15 of this Response.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 17 of this Response.

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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL	Attorney Docket No.	392.1680	
	Application Number	09/546,214	
	Filing Date	April 10, 2000	
	First Named Inventor	Atsushi WATANABE et al.	
	Group Art Unit	2613	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	110.00	Examiner Name	George A. Bugg

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	9	- 20=	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	- 3 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>October 18, 2003</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5					110.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 110.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					\$ 110.00

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(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".
(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".
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GENERAL AUTHORIZATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. <u>19-3935</u> Deposit Account Name <u>STAAS & HALSEY LLP</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP			
Typed Name	William F. Herbert	Reg. No.	31,024
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